

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, June 12, 2010
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Bldg.
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Faith Fiene**, **Jim Howard**, **Donnie Lumm**, Larry Rhodes, **Richard Smath** (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Meeting Convened at 10:07 AM

President's Report:

Jim Howard recognized visitors and subsequently reported that he's been working on our pending environmental conference. The program agenda and schedule has been provided to the executive committee members and can also be downloaded from the website. Jim also reported that he has made progress on the program he's been working on with the Owensboro diocese. The date for that program has been tentatively set for 5/11/2011.

President Elect's Report:

No Report.

Vice President Report:

No Report.

Past President's Report:

Faith Fiene reported that she judged at the State Science Fair and presented the Best in Show Award sponsored by AIPG. Faith indicated the winner of the award was very appreciative. She recommended that we consider having two of these types of awards in the future; one for middle school and one for the high school level.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the minutes from the February meeting were approved by electronic vote on June 5 through June 6, 2010.

Treasurer's Report:

Donnie Lumm reported that 82 people attend the field trip and 32 attended the banquet. Donnie reported that the field trip resulted in a net gain of \$405.00, largely due to donations from sponsors. He also reported that several attendees attended the field trip but neglected to sign the liability waiver form. Donnie emphasized that we should be more adamant firm in requiring these because of the potential liability associated with field trips.

Previous Balance as of March 25, 2010	\$33,765.76
Total Account Balance as of June 10, 2010	\$33,317.51
General Checking Acct.:	\$1,947.40
Outreach Checking Acct.:	\$4,236.07
Student Award Acct.:	\$0.00 (closed)
Certificates Of Deposit:	\$27,134.04

Faith made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Jim seconded. The motion passed.

Faith made a motion that the awards, speaker fees and conference costs, be paid from the outreach account. Tim seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PG Board Report:

Gil Cumbee issued a reminder to complete the questionnaire issued by the PG Board intended to survey the positions of registered Geologists regarding the proposed changes to KRS 322A. He indicated that the Board is waiting to tabulate the results of the questionnaire to determine if the proposed regulation should continue to be pursued.

Larry Rhodes reported that the PG Board met on April 5, 2010, May 14, 2010 (at the Core Barn) to get public comments on the proposed changes to the regulation, and on June 7, 2010. General discussion in each meeting included proposed changes to the PG application form, responses to the questionnaire referenced above, and comity (one way agreement – as opposed to reciprocity which is a reciprocal agreement) with surrounding states. The registration requirements for Tennessee have changed. Kentucky currently has a comity agreement with Tennessee but because their requirements have changed, the Board is considering re-evaluating that agreement.

Editor's Report:

Richard reported that Trent is no longer interested in maintaining the webpage. Richard has checked into having AIPG national host the website as opposed to Atom Data, our current provider, who can sometimes be difficult to contact. Our domain name is currently provided through Dotster. Having the webpage hosted through national will only cost about \$150 per year and will be much simpler to maintain, in part because a readily accessible support system (National) is in place. With this change we would have a different domain provider and domain name. As a result, our website address would also change.

Faith made a motion to pursue making the change and Donnie seconded. The motion passed.

Old Business:

Jim touched on the professional development conference and indicated that one of the speakers plans on having a field test unit and will give a talk about how to perform a pilot test. He further indicated he has been contacted by two out of state geologists who are interested in giving presentations on geochemistry and geophysics. Jim mentioned suggested that AIPG should consider these topics and others that may interest highway (engineering) geologists, to plan future conferences.

The expenses for the 2010 conference are anticipated to be catering, transportation and lodging for Tyler Gass. Jim feels that we may break even if we have 15 people. Jim recommended that we give a \$10 reduction to all who register and pay before July 15, 2010. \$50 refunds will be provided if a registrant cancels prior to July 31, 2010. No refunds will be provided after this date.

Jim requested suggestions for topics for future presentations. Some ideas include highway geology, current and future energy sources.

Jack Horner is scheduled to present the February 2011 symposium. Richard said several of the venues that would be ideal may not be available so we need some feedback from those coordinating the event. Faith suggested that the Paleontological Society, Biologists and Anthropologists be contacted for input.

The website for KSPE has all the contact information for engineers for the surrounding states to send out conference announcements. Nearby AIPG group contact information can be obtained via national. Richard suggested that we forward his previously authored electronic communication to invitees which contains a link to our section's webpage that has all of the information for the program.

New Business:

Richard is working on the KSPG Fall Field Trip to the Fluorospa District and may need AIPG to assist. The meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2010 and is scheduled to be held at the Kentucky Dam Village.

A general discussion was held about how to finance some of our activities. Most agreed that corporate sponsorship is key. The problem is developing and retaining a list of sponsors from which to select. The optimal company would be one who could benefit from exposure to AIPG. Faith recommended that we put a link to become a sponsor on AIPG's home page.

Larry stated that in 2011 Highway Geology Symposium will be hosted in Kentucky. It usually happens in early August and he thinks we should consider setting up a booth.

Gil has submitted his finalized article about “My Favorite Outcrop” and it is being finalized. Richard hasn’t determined how to incorporate it into the webpage yet.

Larry suggested that we consider setting up a display booth at the state fair. Larry said he could find out more information. For this to work, we would likely have to have some sort of handout.

The topic of how to get more members involved. Faith made the recommendation to have co-officers help. Larry recommended that everyone try to bring someone new to the next meeting.

Donnie is going to check on prices to cater the conference.

The next meeting is scheduled on July 24th, 2010 at 10am in Room 102 at the Kentucky Geological Survey.

Donnie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Richard seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:32 pm.

